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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:-
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:-
11. Gillies, Esq., Chairman.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.,
H. Sinterfoht, Esq.,
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:-London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:-
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,
Fairs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS 3 " "
Hongkong, 24th May, 1893. [18]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £3,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP £251,093.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
Wm. Keewick, Esq., Chairman.
Adolf von Andre, Esq.,
F. D. Sassoon, Esq.,
F. G. Iveson, Esq.,
H. D. Stewart, Esq.,
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:
The Hon. J. J. Kewick, Esq.,
The Hon. C. F. Chater, Esq.,
H. Hopkiss, Esq.

Head Office—3, Princes Street, London.
Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Agencies—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [187]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION WITHOUT RESERVE,

ON SATURDAY, 4th November, 1893, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALE ROOMS, ZETLAND STREET.

AN INVOICE OF JEWELLERY, comprising:-

GOLD LOCKETS, GOLD CROSSES, GOLD BRACELETS, GOLD LADIES' RINGS and EARRINGS, &c., &c.

Also, A GREAT ASSORTMENT of JET, MOTHER OF PEARL, SILVER and GILT JEWELLERY.

Also, ONE CROSS and FIVE STARS of HIGH SPANISH ORDERS in GOLD, ENAMEL and SILVER, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.
F. RAPP, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [1182]

IN THE COLONIAL COURT OF ADMIRALTY OF HONGKONG.

SUIT No. 9 of 1893.

JEBSEN AND OTHERS.....PLAINTIFFS
Against
THE STEAMSHIP "BANTAM" AND FREIGHT.

THE Undersigned will (pursuant to a Commission for Sale issued hereto) Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on MONDAY, the 6th day of November, 1893, at 2.30 o'clock in the Afternoon, at the SUPREME COURT HOUSE, Victoria, Hongkong (unless previously Sold by private treaty).

The Steel Screw Steamship "BANTAM,"

gross tonnage 2,314, net register tonnage 1,521, as she now lies afloat in Hongkong Harbour.

The vessel was built by Messrs. A. & L. Inglis at Glasgow in 1885, and classed 100 A 1 at Lloyd's, but is now unclassified and will have to be re-surveyed, her eight years' classing having just expired.

Length 290 feet, breadth 37 feet, depth 15 feet 6 inches. Is fitted with compound direct-acting Engines of 250 h.p. nominal and 2,250 h.p. effective, built by A. & L. Inglis in 1885, diameter of cylinders 45 in. and 1. p. 70 in. Strokes of Piston 3 feet 9 in.

Two double-ended, multi-tubular horizontal Steel Boilers having a heating surface of 4,340 square feet. Working pressure 80 lbs. These are in good condition.

Total deadweight capacity, bunkers included, 2,300 tons.

Bunker capacity 375 tons. For further particulars, apply to V. H. DRACON, Solicitor, Hongkong.

F. A. HAZELAND, Marshal.
Colonial Court of Admiralty of Hongkong.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1893. [117]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD.

ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:-

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application, DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.
Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [415]

GENERAL NOTICE.
THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000 } \$813,333.33
EQUAL TO }
RESERVE FUND } \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq.,
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.,
LO YUEN MOON, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
HONGKONG, 12th December, 1892. [974]

NOTICE.
THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES ON GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1893. [173]

Intimations.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND GLASGOW.

15, QUEEN'S ROAD, Hongkong, 24th August, 1893. [939]

THE PHARMACY, 15, QUEEN'S ROAD.

MESSRS. FLETCHER & Co. beg to inform the Residents of Hongkong and the Shipping Community, that they have now OPENED at the above address. The Store is managed by a thoroughly competent Chemist who takes every care that all DRUGS and CHEMICALS used in the compounding of prescriptions are PURE and FRESH.

FLETCHER & Co. have on hand a good selection of Druggists' Sundries and Patent Medicines.

Telephone No. 74.
FLETCHER & Co.,
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893. [1044]

DR. KNORR'S ANTI-PYRINE.

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROCH.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty. Ask for DR. KNORR'S ANTI-PYRINE. Each Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

"DERMATOL" is the best Vaseline; its effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds, is described as amazing.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China.

Signature of proprietor imitations.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1893. [1006]

Intimations.

W. BREWER.

XMAS CARDS for HOME MAILS of 9th, 15th and 22nd.—NATIVE HAND-PAINTED on RICE PAPER. NATIVE HAND-PAINTED MOUNTED, with PIDGIN ENGLISH POETRY. JAPANESE HAND-PAINTED CARDS. VIEWS OF HONGKONG MOUNTED for XMAS CARDS.

LETTS' DIARIES for 1894. THE ANGLO-CHINESE DATE BLOCKS 1894. COLLINS' CALENDAR PAD and DIARY for 1894.

NEW SUPPLY LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S TENNIS SHOES, TENNIS BATS, BALLS, POLES and NETS.

W. BREWER, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD. [659]

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Office.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOPE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience. A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

THE WINES and SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.
R. TUCKER, Manager. [193]

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

CHRISTMAS CARDS & SOUVENIRS.

OUR SELECTION OF NEW SEASON'S PRODUCTIONS IS NOW ON VIEW. The ENGLISH and CONTINENTAL CARDS comprise—A very Large and Choice Variety, carefully Selected from the Leading Manufacturers.

As usual, we have made a Specialty of CHINESE and JAPANESE CARDS with PIDGIN ENGLISH VERSES and CHARACTERISTIC NATIVE GREETINGS, also GRIFFITH'S POPULAR SERIES of PHOTO CHRISTMAS CARDS representing LOCAL SCENES and STUDIES of NATIVE LIFE.

WE suggest the following Publications as forming very acceptable Souvenirs for Friends at Home, and former Residents at Hongkong and the Coast Ports:-

KELLY & WALSH'S GUIDE TO HONGKONG.—Containing, besides the usual descriptive report of the various places of interest, a succinct history of the Colony and an extremely interesting account of the Walks on the Island and in the Neighbourhood.....\$1.

KELLY & WALSH'S ALBUM OF VIEWS OF HONGKONG.—Consisting of 19 permanent process Pictures, reproduced from Photographs, by Griffith, &c.....\$1.

OUR ISLAND.—A Naturalist's Description of Hongkong, by Sydney B. J. Skerchley, F.R.G.S.....\$1.

JAPANESE PICTURE BOOKS, PRINTED ON CREPE PAPER WITH QUANT COLOURED ILLUSTRATIONS.

JAPANESE JINGLES.....50 Cents.
OYUCHUSAN—The famous Japanese Song.....50 Cents.
KOHANASAN—Another Japanese Song.....50 Cents.

THE CHILDREN OF JAPAN.....50 Cents.
THE FORTY-SEVEN ROBINS.....50 Cents.
THE RAT'S PLANT—A Chinese Legend.....75 Cents.

OGAWA'S COLLOTYPE ALBUMS: DEPICTING LIFE AND SCENERY IN JAPAN.

The Hakone District.....\$4.00
Scenes from the Chishingura.....5.00
Tokio Snow Scenes.....2.50
Matsushima.....1.50
Costumes and Customs in Japan—Vol. I.....2.50
Costumes and Customs in Japan—Vol. II.....2.50
Outdoor Life in Japan.....3.50
Chrysanthemums of Japan.....2.50
Lilies of Japan.....2.50
Sights and Scenes on the Tokaido.....5.00
Japanese Costumes.....2.50
Military Costumes in Old Japan.....2.50
Aymean—A Japanese Romance.....6.50
Conder's Flowers of Japan and the Art of Floral Arrangement.....

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
Hongkong, 30th October, 1893.

CARMICHAEL & Co., LD.

A Very Large Stock of GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS and SHOES in BROWN and BLACK LEATHER, TENNIS SHOES and CANVAS WALKING SHOES. DAWSON'S CELEBRATED PORPOISE BOOTS and SHOES a Specialty. CHRISTY'S HATS in BLACK, DRAB and BROWN.

WILL'S THREE CASTLE VIRGINIA MIXTURE, CAPTAIN NAVY CUT & TRAVELLER. RICHMOND, CAVENDISH CO. NEGROHEAD. NAUTICAL and ENGINEERING BOOKS.

CARMICHAEL & Co., LTD.
15, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 18th October, 1893. [152]

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.
The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1893.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.
N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

F. E. REILLY, PROPRIETOR.

Intimations.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

CALL.
THE FIRST INSTALLMENT of 5/- PER SHARE DUE this day is PAYABLE at the rate of Two Shillings and Four Pence per Dollar, say, \$4.20 per Share.

All Payments should be accompanied by Share Certificates for endorsement.
S. L. DARBY, Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [1183]

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1892.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to send in to this Office a LIST of their CONTRIBUTIONS OF PREMIA for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of PROFIT for that year to be PAID as BONUS to CONTRIBUTORS may be arranged. Returns not sent in before the 30th instant will be made up by the Company, and no subsequent Claims or Alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [1181]

NOTICE.
DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. WILLIAM PENDER MACLEAN, who holds my Power of Attorney, will conduct the business of The Hongkong Telegraph.

R. FRASER-SMITH, Editor and Proprietor.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1893.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

ON and after the 1st December next, will be accepted or credit given in the above Hotel.

NO CHITS
By Order of the Board,
R. TUCKER, Manager.
Hongkong, 20th October, 1893. [1136]

NOTICE.
ON and after the 1st December next, will be taken in the following Hotels, "THE VICTORIA HOTEL," "THE PEAK HOTEL," "THE KOWLOON HOTEL."

DORABEE NOWROJEE, Proprietor.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1893. [1112]

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS, (Corner of Queen's Road and Duddell Street.)

THE Undersigned has always thought that such a place as this was the one thing needed to fit in between HOTEL LIFE and the PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE—providing it be First-class in every detail. A place where one may have his GRILLED CHOP or STEAK at any hour of the Day, up to 11 P.M.; or later if notice be given. He is also prepared to SUPPLY MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES per MENU or ORDER—the Parties sending Dishes, &c., for same—and Cash. Scale on application.

Monthly Board for One Person.....\$35.00
Tiffin.....\$15.00
AMERICAN FROZEN OYSTERS always on hand and served in every Style.

Breakfast.....\$2.50
Tiffin.....\$2.75
Dinner.....\$3.00
SPECIAL TIFFINS and DINNERS served in Excellent Style at short notice.

W. THOMAS, Proprietor.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1893. [1528]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.
COMFORTABLY FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED ROOMS, with Board and Table Accommodation.

Apply to
Mrs. MATHER,
2, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1893. [39]

AN APPEAL.
THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Collars and Cuffs renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiors will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893. [1203]

CAPTAIN CH. ROBINSON, COAL CONTRACTOR, COMPRAORE AND STEVEDORE.

SHIPS VISITING MANILA SUPPLIED WITH PROVISIONS, DUNNAGE, &c. WATER and BALLAST BOATS.

Manila, 12th March, 1893. [1598]

F. BLACKHEAD & Co., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL and PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR HARTMANN'S RAHTIEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, DADLER'S PATENT MOTOR LUNCHES, &c., &c.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES and REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT REASONABLE PRICES.
Hongkong, 14th July, 1893. [1794]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MR. SASSOON'S CUP and SPOONS will be Shot for on SATURDAY, the 4th November.—Ranges, 200 and 300 yards. Time, 3 P.M.

A. MANN, Asst. Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1893. [11]

WANTED.
A ROTARY PRINTING PRESS. Size about 36 by 41 inches, or a trifle larger. Must be in working order. Apply, stating terms, &c. to G. W., c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1893. [1014]

MORE BETTER. CHRISTMAS CARDS.

JUST now my thimble velly hard. What thing can send to you? My look-see plenty little card. Can buy-on pink or blue. With piece flower, bird, or cat. Who man like that?

Plenty other thing can buy. No use my makev seed. Who man watchee butterfly. To post to follen flood? With small things to fill a hat. No man like that.

More betta catchee GRIFFITH'S cards. With photos soft and mellow. Ragoda, joss-house, Naval Yard. And lines by a Longfellow. His cards have pidgin English chat. Alla man be like that.

GRIFFITH'S CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE NOW READY. BUY THEM AT THE STUDIO, 2, Ice House Road and Duddell Street, Or from your Bookstallers—\$5 per dozen. Out Ports cash with order.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1893. [1118]

NOTICE.
FROM the 1st of November next, the SHANGHAI BUTCHERY will be prepared to Supply BROWN LARD in BLADDERS, FRESH and PICKLED ENGLISH PORK, SAUSAGES, &c., &c.

Also, BEEF in JOINTS and CORNED, BLACK PUDDINGS, PORK and GAME PIES.
S. R. GALE.
Shanghai, 13th October, 1893. [1160]

Shipping. STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE. THE Steamship "CARRADALE," Sharp, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1893. [1153]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, via "AMOV." THE Company's Steamship "ESMERALDA," Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 4th instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [1150]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUZUT, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, FLORENCE, AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship "MARIA VALERIE," Captain G. Costanzo, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 6th November, at Noon.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 P.M. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to C. ZANELLA, Agent.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1893. [1027]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship "JOHN R. KELLY,"

Chapman, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1893. [1017]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM NEW YORK AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "STRATHESK," The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Consignment, and to the immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

WOMEN AS DUELLISTS.

THE FIELD OF HONOR NOT MONOPOLIZED BY MEN.

Of course there have been duels between women ever since Leah and Rachel pulled each other's hair for jealousy of Jacob. But duels on the field of honor between women, or between a woman and a man, are rare.

About the first according to the code between women took place in the time of Louis XV. The "great and honorable ladies" were told, fought each other with pistols in the Bois de Boulogne for love of the handsome eyes of the Duc de Richelieu. They were the Marquise de Nesles and the Comtesse de Polignac.

"Fire first," said the Comtesse. The Marquise fired and missed. "Rage made her hand shake," exclaimed Mme. de Polignac. She fired.

Mme. de Nesles fell, swooning. Her adversary's bullet had struck the tip of her ear. Tallandier de Reaux relates the story of two sisters. One, Mme. de Chateaufort, having taken offence against one of her friends, challenged him, and on the field wounded him.

The other, more original, Mme. La Douze, wished to punish her own husband, and, having dragged him to the duelling place, gave him, by way of conviction, three sword strokes that would have done credit to a fencing-master.

About the year 1700 there lived in Paris a young woman, very beautiful, as witty as beautiful and as clever as witty. She had the writers of the time say, the prettiest eyes in the world and the waviest hair. She sometimes called herself Mme. d'Abigny, sometimes Mme. de Maupin.

Living in love with a provost she followed him to Mareilles, where she did all sorts of foolish things. Then, returning to Paris, she entered the opera, where she met with extraordinary success and continued her exploits.

One night, wearing men's clothes, she went to a masked ball at the Palais Royal. She made herself disagreeable to a lady of the court and three gentlemen who were with the lady challenged her.

She confronted them one after another and successfully placed her three adversaries *à la comble*.

A few days afterwards she had a duel with a youth man, whom she seriously wounded.

In November, 1871, Baron de Trautmandorf, a diplomat, was on the eve of marrying a young widow, the Countess Lodowska de R., a Pole by birth.

An unknown rival of the Baron saw fit to ridicule him in a piece of verse signed "Baron de Ropp." The diplomat challenged the poet. On the ground, friend of the poet took his place with the content of Trautmandorf, who was killed in the encounter.

Trautmandorf's second bitterly reproached Ropp for his conduct. In an hour they had met on the field, sword in hand. Ropp wounded his antagonist; but what was his surprise and sorrow when he recognized in Trautmandorf's second the Countess Lodowska.

The Countess died of her wound; De Ropp committed suicide.

At last in 1885 Miss Shelley, an American, fought a duel with Mrs. Astle de Valsayre at Waterloo. The young Yankee contended that American female doctors—she was one—knew more than the French. The fiery French woman denied it. Miss Shelley retorted. The word "duel" was used.

Mrs. Astle de Valsayre demanded reparation by arms, but as Miss Shelley was as ignorant of the sword as she was skilled with the scalpel, the French doctor generously gave her fifteen days' respite to get her hand in.

The American did not back out. She was pined in the arm, honor was satisfied and the combatants were reconciled on the ground.—*St. Louis Republic*.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A quiet tenor speaks in a commanding voice. Ellen Terry intends retiring from the stage this year.

A profit now-a-days is highly honored in its own country. A clapping in court, it seems, may end in a slapping in gaol.

The Queen purposes visiting the Emperor of Germany in 1894.

That most ladies should steel their dresses is rather a serious matter.

Ill-fancy is an excellent quality, but solidly gets there often.

Golf is becoming a fashionable pastime amongst ladies in Scotland.

The meanest thief in the world is the one who steals busy people's time.

Distard disease travel in pairs. Clean out the dirt and disease has little show.

"Street music is progressing," said the householder when the barrel-organ moved down the road.

A mendacious adviser that he is "blind and the father of seven children by a horrible accident."

The London *Times* is the favorite newspaper of the Prince of Wales, and H.R.H. likes light reading.

The Duke of Fife has given much offence to the Queen by advising young Scotchmen to emigrate.

There is one thing about James Balfour that we like, he knew when he had got enough. That was when he couldn't get any more.

"There are compensations for women, and not a few," says Annie S. Swan. We should say so, after the recent crop of "breach" actions.

Again has one of the fast Atlantic steamers "broken the record." The vessels are always breaking their record, or breaking their shafts.

One of the hardest things in life for a youth is to believe that a man older than himself understands anything, but he gets there some day.

In ten years the wheat acreage in Britain has decreased by 865,000 acres. It does not pay to grow it, even with cheap goods right across the road.

Clary Lofur, the newest music hall sensation and "Idol of the Johnnies" in London, is only fifteen years of age. She sings "cooler" songs in good style.

The new Attorney-General at the Cape has made a maiden speech of thirteen words. He deserves to be Premier when the cards are shuffled again.

Lady Colin Campbell presents the proposition that kissing destroys the complexion. It certainly should in countries that don't know what lips were made for.

A Yarmouth boarding-house keeper often complains of the effort it costs to get up a meal; but her boarders maintain that much more effort is expended in getting it down.

The King of Italy proposes to hold a grand International Exhibition in Rome in 1895. That's a long time to look ahead. The King may quite well be an angel long before then.

"The ideal husband," it appears, is a many-sided creature. The top-side which he brings home with him sometimes at 3 a.m. is probably included in the side category of the ideal.

appeared is not known, but if you think they have not disappeared just endeavor to find one. Wealth does not bring contentment, And none gets what he asks; For if he did, he'd want the earth, And growl about the taxes.

AMONG THE GEMS.

The emerald is now one of the rarest of precious stones. Black, pink and golden-yellow pearls are more valuable than white.

The diamond, in a sufficient heat, will burn like a piece of charcoal.

The island of Ceylon is the most remarkable gem deposit in the world.

Plovy, in the Fl at Century, was the first writer to describe the diamond.

Every gem known to the lapidary has been found in the United States.

The Olcott diamond is believed to be the responsible for sixty-seven murders.

Diamonds are found in every color and shade, from the purest white to jet black.

The Regent diamond was found at Golconda and, in the rough, weighed 410 carats.

The largest diamond ever known was the Great Mogul, which weighed, in the rough, 793 carats.

The tomb of Mohammed is covered with diamonds, sapphires and rubies, valued at \$10,000,000.

The diamond mines of Brazil have yielded over 15,000,000 carats of stones, valued at \$15,000,000.

A ruby of the best quality and more than three carats is worth more than a diamond of the same size and weight.

The Regent diamond, the property of the French Government, weighs 136 carats and is valued at \$10,000,000.

With the funds raised by pawning the Regent diamond Napoleon was enabled to undertake the campaign that ended at Marengo.

The cutting of the 'Kob-noor' occupied thirty-eight days, with steam-power, and cost \$40,000. The 'Regent' required two years, and cost \$25,000.

After the first discovery of the Brazilian diamond mines, 1,146 ounces of diamonds were shipped to Portugal in one year, and the price fell to \$5 a carat.

The peacock throne of Shah Jehan was valued at \$30,000,000, his crown at \$15,000,000 and when he died \$10,000,000 of gems were found in his treasury.

The great South African diamond found in the Kimberley mines in 1886 weighed 457 carats rough. According to the ordinary rules of valuation its worth is \$4,165,980.

The royal crown of Great Britain is composed almost entirely of diamonds, pearls and rubies, and weighs thirty-nine ounces and five pennyweights. It is valued at \$1,200,000.

When Pizarro sacked Peru many gems were obtained, but a monstrous emerald, as large as an ostrich egg, called the "Great Mother," was hidden by the natives, and has never been found.

The Golconda mines are now exhausted. At one time 60,000 men were employed in them. When the Sultan Mahmood, who reigned 1177-1206, died, he left in his treasury over 400 pounds weight of gems from Golconda.

The most famous opal of history was that worn by the Roman Senator Nerva. Antony tried to buy it as a present to Cleopatra, but Nerva refused to sell. It was buried in his tomb, where it was found in the present century.

Cortes obtained in Mexico five emeralds of wonderful size and beauty. One was cut like a rose; another, in the shape of a horn; a third, in that of a fish, with diamond eyes; a fourth, like a bell, with a pearl for a clapper; the fifth was a cup with a foot of gold, and with four little chains, each ended with a large pearl. He had also two emerald vases, worth 300,000 crowns each.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

(Compiled from various sources.)

"No" is the feminine of "yes." What Hoggins needs most now is the faith cure.

A Great Truth—It is still the right time to advertise.

When two egotists meet they are apt to "I" each other.

The back-biting any man ever has is his own back-bite.

When some people do you a favor they want a due bill for it.

There is no killing the suspicion that deceit has once begotten.

Find a man who has no hobby and you find one who is not happy.

A Newport, Ky., girl married a fellow seven feet tall. She had loved him long.

Everything in the days is checked in the baggage-car except the train robbers.

A great man is one who knows how to make somebody else paddle his canoe for him.

In what part of a man's anatomy is "the right spot," where things that please him strike?

The question that confronts the fast young man is whether he will let up now or let down later.

The United States should keep peace with China as long as the Pacific Ocean rolls between them.

Chigins of Rome avoid travelling in Russia on account of the disposition of the Russians to kill a Romanist.

He—I would propose to—to you if I knew what to say. She—You wouldn't if you knew what I'd say.

Widower—Will you share my lot? Widow—No; I'm full I was up in the cemetery looking at it yesterday.

Some of the Melbourne unemployed are so love-daring that they don't have time to go home for meals.

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